

## Thousands Coming For Annual Snow Carnival

3 Big Days Starting Friday. Flint, Detroit, E. Lansing Sending Trains

## Jimmy Stevenson To Crown Queen At Winter Park Sun.

Next Sunday promises to be the biggest winter sports day in the history of Grayling. Nothing but unfavorable weather can possibly stop it, and at the present time good weather is assured.

At least two trains, and possibly three, are scheduled to come from Detroit, and a train of 15 coaches will be here from Flint. At least 2,500 will arrive on the snow trains. Besides this many busses and private cars are bound to bring in additional crowds.

Everything at the big park is ready to entertain the visitors and to afford them the winter pleasures they are looking for. Four toboggan slides are in tip-top condition and the slides are fast and thrilling. The skating rink is excellent, and the ski trails are becoming more popular every day. This latter sport promises to become one of the biggest attractions of the park. Within another season there will be 75 miles of ski trails marked out for use. At present only a few miles are in first-class condition, while more can be used but are not first-class.

Saddle skiing too is making a big hit among the young and older persons.

### Carnival Week-end

Friday afternoon the carnival clock will be punched and the big event will be on. Saturday will mark the arrival of many famous visitors. In the afternoon Jimmy Stevenson, well-known WJR radio broadcaster, and a large crowd of sports writers and radio commentators, will arrive by auto. At 6:00 p. m. the former will conduct his usual news broadcast from Grayling schoolhouse. The public will be admitted to this if desired, however, everyone must be in the room by 5:45 o'clock. After that time nobody will be admitted.

### To Crown Queen at Ball

Saturday evening the Queen's Ball will be held at the school gymnasium. The big gym will be decorated in regal style for the occasion. An elaborate program will be presented.

"Here Charles Gehringer will have a prominent part in the carnival program when he will be called upon to preside at the coronation ceremonies. He will be assisted by the popular baseball idol, Barney McCoskey, of the Detroit Tigers and WJR's Jimmy Stevenson.

This is a feature that nobody will want to miss, and will be

occasion that will be long remembered.

A 12-piece orchestra will furnish the music and there will be plenty of opportunity for dancing.

Throughout the days of the carnival there will be a lot of activity at the winter park. Everything will be in operation.

The new 1940 ice throne is going to be a surprise to everyone who hasn't seen it. Leave it to Clarence Johnson and Johnny Deckrow to see to it that Grayling will have a throne that will be outstanding in beauty and design.

Here again Queen Norberta Weiss will be crowned by Jimmy Stevenson, for the pleasure of the thousands who will be at the park that day and not able to attend the Queen's Ball the previous night.

### WJR'S Jimmy Stevenson To Crown Snow Queen

Jimmy Stevenson, famed news and sports announcer at WJR, Detroit, will crown the Snow Queen at Grayling's Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 3. He will arrive at Grayling Saturday afternoon, accompanied by a large party of Detroit Winter Sports enthusiasts, including Charlie Gehringer, famous second baseman, and Barney McCoskey, of the Detroit Tigers. Jimmy is a prime favorite with radio listeners in Northern Michigan and hopes to meet hundreds of his friends at Grayling. Special lines will be installed to enable him to broadcast his Saturday evening news from Grayling.

### Notice To Eating Places

Grayling should never let it be said that one can't get anything to eat here. Next Sunday snow trains will bring in 2,400 passengers—1,000 from Detroit, 1,000 from Flint, and 400 from East Lansing. And there will be thousands coming by auto. There will be hungry mouths to feed and it is the wish of the officers of Grayling Winter Sports, Inc., that all eating places be prepared with enough meats and other foods to feed this crowd.

PLEASE BE PREPARED

## 15 Coaches To Bring Flint Crowd Sunday

BACKED BY FLINT C-OF-C 1000 PEOPLE EXPECTED

Ever since Grayling winter sports have assumed headline proportions, people from Flint have had a keen interest and every week-end sees many from this city in Grayling. The Flint train brought 600 here last winter, and this year the sale of tickets has already exceeded that number.

Here's what the Flint Journal has to say about next Sunday's excursion:

"More than 700 tickets have been sold for Flint's community snow train which will be operated to Grayling next Sunday, Feb. 4, according to a preliminary check by Norman H. Hill, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring the trip.

"This is already more than the total number—about 600—who made the excursion last year.

"With the capacity of the train limited to 1,000 persons, a sell-out is considered certain, and early purchase of tickets is urged by Mr. Hill. He said that no persons can be allowed to board

the train Sunday unless they have obtained tickets in advance.

"Fifteen coaches will carry the local winter sports enthusiasts, in addition to a baggage car where sports equipment can be checked and a lunch car which will furnish refreshments.

### La Voies to Chaperone

"One or two cars, located immediately behind the baggage coach, will be given over to high school youngsters, who will be chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Nap LaVoie. Other cars have been reserved by the Flint Hike club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, The Journal and Lippincott Motor Sales, Inc.

"More time will be available at Grayling this year because the train will leave from the Pere Marquette railway station downtown and go directly north via Saginaw. The train will pull out of Flint at 7 a. m. and is scheduled to arrive at Grayling before 11 a. m. Returning, the party will leave at 5:30 p. m. and be back here before 9:30.

"Participating in the ceremony of crowning Grayling's snow queen will be Charlie Gehringer and Barney McCoskey, Tiger stars, and Jimmy Stevenson, radio announcer. The coronation ceremony will take place while the Flint party is at the winter sports park.

"The rate for the trip of \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12 includes railway fare, transportation by bus to and from the sports park near Grayling and admission to the park."



JIMMY STEVENSON

### WJR NEWS AND SPORTS ANNOUNCER

Jimmy Stevenson, WJR news and sports announcer, was born in Baltimore but his parents brought him to Detroit when he was a small lad. As a student at Central High School, when that institution was nationally known for its athletic teams, he won letters in football, basketball and track. He also played football at Wayne University, then known as Detroit Junior College.

After graduating from the law department of the University of Detroit he entered practice with his brother and sister. For a term he was assistant prosecutor of Wayne County (Detroit).

Stevenson came to radio in a series of dramatic skits with Sam Slade, veteran music teacher and actor. His success was instantaneous and radio began to absorb more and more of his

time until he finally turned the key in his law office and decided to make radio his main job.

Since that time he has become one of the best commercial broadcasters in the country. For more than five years he has never been without a sponsor and much of the time he has four or five.

Jimmy's resume of Tiger baseball games is unique in the field of sports announcing, and has held an area-wide audience for the last five years. Speaking in the present tense, Stevenson gives a rapid fire description of the afternoon's game that makes the listener feel that the play is right before his eyes.

The Stevenson home is in Huntington Woods, a suburb just north of Detroit, where he lives with his wife and two small daughters. He is still fond of participating in sports and plays better than an ordinary game of squash and badminton.

## Cheboygan Doctor To Talk To Taxpayers

CHRISTIE SAYS "TAXES ARE TOO HIGH"

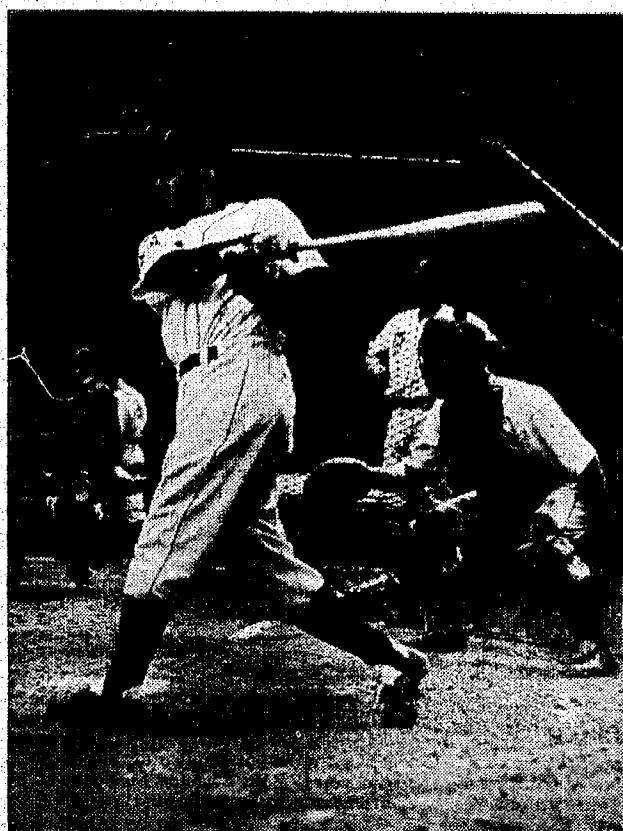
Taxpayers realize that if they are to get any relief from constantly rising taxes, they must get together to fight! Fight! Year after year taxes are growing until it does seem that those who have to do the paying just cannot stand it any longer.

Crawford County Taxpayers association will meet at the Court House next week Wednesday, February 7th, at which time Dr. E. A. Christie, vice-president

of the Michigan Public Expenditures Survey, will be here to assist us in getting our local organization functioning.

Dr. Christie has spent a lot of time checking up on the waste in government—local, state and national—and wants to pass his information on to us. A letter from Harry Carter, district supervisor, says Dr. Christie will appear at our meeting February 7th. This will be held at the Court House next week Wednesday, February 7th, at 8:00 p. m.

Everyone interested in more economy in government is invited to attend this meeting. Come and bring your neighbors. Come out and hear this talented speaker. Of course, there will be no charge for admission.



CHARLES GEHRINGER

## Sherman Neal Passed Away

Sherman Neal, a highly respected resident of Grayling for the past 27 years, passed away at his home Friday afternoon at 5:45 o'clock following a two weeks' illness. Death was caused from a blood clot in an artery in the brain, according to his physician. Mr. Neal had been complaining of not feeling well for about three months and two weeks ago became seriously ill. He was taken to Mercy hospital for treatment the first part of last week, but he longed to be taken home and his wish was granted Wednesday, although his passing was looked for any moment.

Funeral services were held at the family home Monday afternoon, Rev. H. W. Kuhlman officiating. Mrs. Harold Jarmin and Mrs. Roy Milnes, accompanied by Mrs. C. G. Clippert, beautifully sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." The remains were taken to the birthplace of the deceased, Rose City, where interment took place in the Neal cemetery. Pallbearers were old friends of long standing: Postmaster James McDonnell, Alonzo Heath, Charles Wilbur, Jens Ziebell, Maurice Gorman and Mose Woods.

Those from out of town in attendance at the funeral included: Mrs. George Woods, Mrs. Vera Ruttebar and Mrs. Beulah Cox, Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hoy, Mio; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Doremire and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Doremire, Midland.

Sherman Lewis Neal was born in Rose City, Ogemaw county, June 24, 1885, and when he was seven years old went with his parents to Pennsylvania. He was 19 years old when the family returned to Michigan and to their old home in Rose City. There on March 30, 1905, he was united in marriage to Cora Butler and to them three children were born. Mr. and Mrs. Neal and their son, Elmer, then a baby, came to Grayling which was in October, R. Hanson & Sons mill in T. Town for about seven years. He was janitor at the high school building for 20 years and was known and liked by every child and others with whom he came in contact at the school. He resigned 2 years ago to become janitor at the new postoffice, which job he held at the time he was taken ill. He was a faithful and very agreeable employee.

Mr. Neal was of a quiet, unassuming nature. He was very much of a home man where he was usually found during his leisure hours. He was a good neighbor and friend and enjoyed a large circle of associates. Surviving are his widow and three children, Elmer, Mrs. Celeste Malonen and Howard, also three grandchildren and an only sister, Mrs. Ace Monroe, of Ulysses, Pa. The Avalanche joins with many friends in extending sympathy to the Neal family who seem to be having more than their share of trouble of late.

### QUEEN PHOTOGRAPHED WITH GOVERNOR

"Birdie" Tebbetts and Queen Norberta Weiss were presented before the Kiwanis club at Lansing last Thursday noon by Kiwanian O. P. Schumann. Both made a big hit and Queen Norberta told the 120 members that she hoped to see them at Grayling winter sports. They all agreed to be here.

Later this group visited Governor Dickinson in the executive offices. The latter, in his younger days, used to play ball, and "Birdie" said to the Governor, "as one ball player to another, will you please let us take your picture with our Queen?" The request was gladly granted and the Governor, Queen Norberta and "Birdie" smiled their best as a Free Press photographer took several pictures.

Our Queen was that evening introduced before a banquet of about 500 newspaper publishers and others.

### HAD GRAND TIME AT WINTER PARK

Lee A. Fordon, vice-president of the Detroit Nesting-Stacking Box Co., and June Carmen of Detroit, were in Grayling several days enjoying winter sports and taking instruction in skiing. They left for home Wednesday and left us the following note:

The writer wishes to thank those people of Grayling who are responsible for the splendid winter sports park they have made available to the public. And especially I want to congratulate you for obtaining the services of an excellent ski instructor in the person of Mr. Alfred Orhm.

Lee A. Fordon. And Miss Carmen asked us to attach her name as a signer of the letter.

Miss Carmen is a professional dancer and recently returned from a European engagement. She says she will spend a few days in Detroit after which she will go to New York where she has engagements.

Both Mr. Fordon and Miss Carmen are enthusiastic over the "grand" time they had been having here. They say they intend to return to Grayling at their earliest opportunity.

### Landscaping An Sable Forest Headquarters

Having completed grading the road into Au Sable state forest headquarters, war veterans of the Au Sable CCC camp are now digging suitable trees and shrubbery for planting at the headquarters site. Stonework on the forest implement shed and workshop, which are being built of large stones hauled in from all parts of the forest, is reported progressing well.

### ICE FOLLIES

The first annual Gerrish Higgins Ice Follies will be held at Roscommon ice rink, Saturday, February 10, at 7:30 p. m.

Jayne Howe was selected as queen and Kenneth Ostling, king. Dorothy Siderman, Robert Hughes, Jacqueline Mathews, and Robert Barry will be the court. There will be guest stars from Grayling, West Branch and Houghton Lake. Dancing will immediately follow the follies. Everyone is cordially invited.

## Hanson Cafe Playing Cheboygan Feb. 7

Next Wednesday night the townspeople will have their first chance to see the Hanson Cafe basketball team in action this year. Having joined the Northern Michigan Basketball League last fall most of their games have been out of town thus far this season.

The players on this team are all well known to this and several other communities in the North having played together for the past five or six years. Leland Marshall will start at center with his six-foot-three-and-a-half coming to play a big advantage. Art May and Bud Sorenson will no doubt be at the forward positions and the two of them can usually compile a few points between them. The guards will put on the most some of the best defensive players seen on these northern teams with Ken and Don Gotaro working with George Hanson in this department. Bill Mosher of last year's high school team is very capable of filling in at either center or guard thus giving his height to aid on defense.

Cheboygan will have in their line-up one Vondall Wahl, whom you will remember played on one of the best teams ever to come out of Traverse City. Towering away above six feet, his accuracy with the pivot shot is unbeatable and impossible to guard. It is expected that he will cause the Grayling defense plenty of trouble before the last whistle sounds.

You basketball fans who like plenty of action want to be sure and take in this game as it will give you the style of playing you have been waiting to see.

Remaining home schedule is as follows:

February 7—Cheboygan.  
February 10—Bozette City.  
February 14—Pellston.  
February 17—Charlevoix.  
February 24—East Jordan.  
March 13—Petoskey.

### BABE SUCUMBES TO PNEUMONIA

Donald Royce Welch, 14 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Welch of Frederic passed away at Mercy hospital Monday morning, of pneumonia. The little lad had seemed to be recovering when he suffered a relapse and passed away early that morning. Funeral services were held at the home at 2 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon and at 2:30 from the Methodist Protestant church of Frederic, Rev. Floyd Barnes, of Grayling officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Frederic.

Donald was at just the age when his first baby words and steps were of the greatest delight to his parents, and it is with much grief that he was laid to rest. He leaves to mourn his passing besides his parents, two brothers, Dean and Robert, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch of Grayling. The family have the sympathy of their friends in Frederic and Grayling. Mrs. Welch was formerly Jennie Lee Raymond.

## Staging Winter Tests

Representatives of the National Safety Council were in Cadillac this week making arrangements for staging winter driving tests on the ice of Lake Cadillac.

The Winter Driving Hazards Committee of the National Safety Council is sponsoring the tests. February 9 has been tentatively set as the starting date and they will be held over a period of ten days.

Tests will be conducted under a variety of driving conditions ranging from smooth ice to ice treated with various types of abrasives. The tests are designed to produce information about the effectiveness of various types of abrasives when applied to icy highways. They will also result in information about the distance required to stop a vehicle at various speeds and on different kinds of surfaces.

### New Codaism Religion

In French Indo-China, Codaism, a 12-year-old religion with 3,000,000 adherents, has an odd ritual, says Collier's. In its main temple in the city of Tay-ninh, a priest strikes a bell once every minute throughout the day and night to remind all Codaists that truth must constantly be kept in their minds.



BARNEY MCCOSKEY



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## Dewey As G. O. P. Nominee?

Yesterday in this space we reported having a hunch that President Roosevelt wants a third term and is wheeling his heavy guns into place for a third term drive. We explained our reasons for that hunch at some length, most of them being drawn from what happened at various Jackson Day dinners around the country Monday evening.

Today we opine that the Republican candidate for President will be Thomas E. Dewey, if the Democratic candidate is Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Dewey has the supreme virtue, from the practical politicians' point of view, of being a terrific vote getter, at least in his own city and his own state.

Dewey was elected District Attorney of New York County (Manhattan) in November, 1937. For a Republican to get elected to any important office in Manhattan is usually the nearest trick of whatever decade it happens in, because it happens very seldom.

In the following year, 1938, Dewey ran for Governor against the incumbent, Herbert H. Lehman, himself a superior vote getter. Dewey came within 60,000 votes of beating Lehman, who previously had been accustomed to pluralities of 400,000, 800,000 and such.

Dewey had a couple of bad breaks in the 1938 election, to boot. It rained in upstate New York that day, so that a lot of Republican farmers and their wives didn't turn out to vote, and something decidedly phony was strongly rumored to have happened in connection with the vote count in Democratic machine-run Albany. Even so, Dewey cut Lehman's plurality to a wisp of his former self.

Dewey's Youth; Dewey's Record  
It will be objected to Dewey that he is too young to be President—only 37.

Well, graybeard though we be, we must insist that a man of 37 is not a child. Alexander Hamilton became Secretary of the Treasury at 32; Napoleon was crowned Emperor of the French at 35; William Pitt, the Younger became Prime Minister of England, and a darned good one at that, at 24. Half of our voters are 37 or younger. We don't think Dewey's youth will cut much ice against his chances of victory if he runs.

It will also be objected that Dewey has no national political record. As a Republican with a record, most of the Republican professional politicians offer Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg of Michigan.

Vandenberg has a record, true; but it is a sort of half-and-half record. He has been long on the political stage, but he has never quite achieved stardom. Sometimes he has played ball with the New Deal, sometimes fought it. As we see it, Vandenberg lacks the fire and colorfulness which make voters want either to do and die for a man or cut his political throat.

Messrs. Dewey and Roosevelt have those positive qualities in full measure. If they oppose each other for the Presidency this year, we'll see the loveliest Presidential campaign in a long time, heaped up and running over with fiery oratory, beautiful maneuvering and the fanciest kind of political skulduggery.

If the Republicans don't nominate Dewey, it is hard to see how they can hope to carry New York State. And if they don't carry New York, it seems impossible for them to win the national election.—New York Daily News.

## Monte Carlo

"The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo" was an Englishman, Charles Wells. After a somewhat shady career in England, he went to Monte Carlo and in July, 1891, entered the casino with 4,000 pounds, obtained under false pretense. On his first day he won a quarter of a million francs. He immediately became a popular character in the municipality, but in 1892 after a return to England was arrested and tried for obtaining money by fraud and sentenced to eight years' penal servitude. After his release he changed his name to Davenport, but continued his swindling operations, served two more prison terms and finally died in 1922.

## Tourney Finals Drew Big Crowds

Friday and Saturday nights the Golden Gloves Boxing Tournament came to a close when the semi-finals and the finals were run off at the school gymnasium. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights the elimination bouts were staged with several being run off each evening. The tournament as in other years, has been sponsored by the Rube Babbitt Chapter of the Izak Walton League of Grayling. Tony Trudeau as chairman, was appointed after Jack Wade had to leave, expecting to be gone for the rest of the winter. The committee are very grateful for the fine cooperation of the CCC camps, the personnel and enrollees, and of Chaplain Harris for his help in making the tournament a success.

The winners of the tournament will go to Bay City later this month and enter the Golden Gloves to be staged there.

Saturday night two of the semi-final bouts were run off, in the welterweight division; with Orville Bayones, of Camp Eldorado, George Flynn, Kalkaska, winning by knockouts. In the first round, over their opponents, Bayones forfeited the welterweight crown to Flynn. Flynn had score a kayo over Harold Specht, Kalkaska, in 23 seconds of the first round.

Robert Massey, Camp Houghton Lake, won the flyweight title of the tournament. Massey fought several bouts during the five evenings and is to be complimented on his fine brand of boxing.

Kid Kroce, Camp Eldorado, won over Charles Talley, Camp Houghton Lake, by forfeit, carrying away the bantamweight title for the tournament.

Robert Boyd, Camp Houghton Lake, won the featherweight crown by scoring a technical kayo over John Uram, of Camp Luzerne, in the second round.

Clarence King, Camp Houghton Lake, lost by a knockout in the second round to Oliver Duplessis, Charlevoix. King had been knocked down in the first round but came up again to finish the round. As he had been hit pretty hard that time, the second hard blow from Duplessis knocked him out for some time. King had been doing good in his preceding bouts, and showed fine boxing ability.

The middleweight crown went to Harold Kirschner, Camp Wolverine, when he knocked out Jess Cruze, Camp Higgins Lake, in the first round Friday night.

George Rammey, West Branch, copped the light-heavyweight title when he scored a technical kayo over Clay Roseling, of Roscommon, in the first round.

Grant Giffin and Don Dexter of Boyne City, staged an open exhibition bout, which was not judged.

In the open bouts of the tournament, Willie Thomas, Camp Houghton Lake, took the flyweight title uncontested.

Floyd Chase, West Branch, won over Pete Mackey, Boyne City, by a decision in the featherweight division.

Nathaniel Crosby, Camp Houghton Lake, won the lightweight crown, Ralph Carter of the same camp having forfeited to him.

A. C. Rogers, Camp Houghton Lake, won the welterweight crown having been uncontested.

In the middleweight division, Lucien Taliaferro, Camp Houghton Lake, won over Johnny Gorney, Camp Eldorado, scoring a knockout in the first round, Friday night. Taliaferro has come to be quite a favorite in the boxing field in this vicinity. He is an excellent boxer and a good sport, and invariably scores knockouts. He has a pleasing personality and is well liked by all who know him. We are confident that with Taliaferro's ability and his great interest in the sport that he will go far in the boxing field.

Willard Tipton, Camp Houghton Lake, won the light-heavyweight crown, being uncontested.

Thus ended the third annual Golden Gloves Tournament for Grayling, with the winners being presented small gold glove emblems by Chaplain Harris and Willard Harwood. The boys going to Bay City are wished lots of luck, and we hope that they may win.

Amateur boxing has become a more popular sport in the later years. It is a sport that takes a lot of rigid training. It builds strong bodies and makes young men have more confidence in themselves. Although there is no compensation in it for the young men, it is an up and coming sport.

## U. S. Contributions

In 1938 contributions by religious, charitable and other institutions in the United States to residents of foreign countries totaled \$40,000,000. Contributions through Jewish organizations, which went chiefly to Palestine, Poland and Germany, amounted to \$8,000,000.

## Smithsonian Institution

## Traces De Soto's Trail

The 400-year-old trail of Hernando De Soto—first white man to penetrate the interior of America—has been mapped by ethnologists of the Smithsonian Institution.

The ethnologists spent 20 years tracing the Spanish captain and his little expedition from the east Florida coast to northern Mexico. It took De Soto three years to make the journey that men now make by air in six hours.

The task of trailing De Soto, which historians had held was impossible because of the few records of the journey, was performed by Dr. John R. Swanton, chairman of the United States De Soto Expedition commission, in preparation for the 400th anniversary of the expedition.

Dr. Swanton directed the staff of assistants that included Miss Caroline Dornon of Chestnut, La., and Col. John R. Fordyce of Little Rock, Ark. Colonel Fordyce died recently, soon after completion of his long and arduous task.

During the four centuries that have passed since the Spanish captain landed on the Florida coast and undertook his expedition into the interior of the continent, the countryside has undergone profound changes. The last speakers of the tongues of some of the savage tribes he encountered have died.

No accurate journal was kept of the 1,500-mile trip. The trail had to be pieced together from scanty records and diaries of members of the party. These sometimes differ. The De Soto expedition moved through an unmapped and unknown territory. Names of rivers and other landmarks differ from one source of information to another.

Dr. Swanton concludes his report with a tribute to De Soto:

"We are paying tribute to an enterprise which has important historic and ethnologic and archeologic meaning for the people of the United States as a whole. We are paying tribute also to an enterprise which, in spite of its coarser aspects, did not lack something of knightly character, a theater for the display of real virtues albeit virtues of the sterner and harsher type."

## California Is Losing

## Its 'Hillbilly' Populace

California's hill population is rapidly declining, according to Ian O. M. Broek, assistant professor of geography at the University of California.

This decline in the "hillbilly" population, he said, was taking place despite a steady increase in population throughout the state.

"The passing of the old hill family and many of its descendants," he said, "is due to the decline in lumbering and range operations, decline in the birth rate, the competition of valley and rural communities."

"These combined with the fact that California has a low birth rate, as compared with the country as a whole, have brought about the phenomenon of lower population in the uplands, while population in the lowlands is increasing."

As a result of this situation, he declared, a high number of schools in the hill country have been closed, not because of the establishing of consolidated schools for several formerly independent districts, but because the number of children has so decreased that even the required minimum of five for each district cannot be maintained.

"The situation has become so marked," he said, "that certain counties in the hill districts are obliged to depend on migration to maintain their present population."

## Moisture Penetration

With the question of moisture penetration into the framing of structures becoming more acute with the advent of modern heating and air conditioning, many builders are advising the use of insulating fabrics or materials which seal the walls against penetration of moisture vapor. Under modern systems of heating and air conditioning it is estimated by commercial engineers that relative humidities are increased from as low as 5 per cent to as high as 50 per cent. This moisture passes readily through plaster and other structural materials until it reaches the dew-point temperature and then deposits in droplets. In side walls this moisture may settle to the bottom of the section, drenching the entire framework. Such condition causes framing to warp and twist, distorts interior woodwork, and frequently blisters paint.

## Highway 'Cat's Eyes'

Tiny glass balls, which glow like cats' eyes under automobile headlights, are being placed on Alabama highways as a means of reducing traffic accidents. The glass particles, the size of grains of sand, are so small that heavy trucks will not crush them. Six pounds of glass balls are mixed with a gallon of paint, which is spread on a four-inch strip in the center of the highway. The strip requires 17 gallons of paint to the mile. The strip will be placed on curves and at danger points on 100 miles of highways in the state. A test strip was put down near Central, Ala., three months ago and it convinced road officials of its practicability. Alabama was the first state to experiment with the new highway marker, but Montana has begun using it.

## SOLD

Jones was taking his holiday motoring about the country. At least, he told his friends that was what he was doing.

The car had cost him \$75. Slowly and painfully it had breasted the hills, reaching the top of each ascent just when it seemed that the rickety engine would give out altogether. Every time the solitary brake was applied there were weird shrieks of protest from some part of the mechanism, and altogether Jones was very fed-up with his "bargain."

Presently he came to a gate where tolls were collected.

"Half a dollar for the car, sir," said the gatekeeper.

Jones looked up with a pathetic smile of relief.

"Sold," he exclaimed, thankfully.

## Hidden Ball Play

Two men were out shooting one day when a policeman approached and politely asked to see their licenses. To his surprise, one of the men turned around and ran away as though for dear life. The policeman, attentive to duty, followed.

When he caught the man, the policeman demanded to see his license. The sportsman promptly produced it, and it was found to be in order.

"Why on earth did you run away when you had your license?" asked the policeman, as he mopped a heated brow.

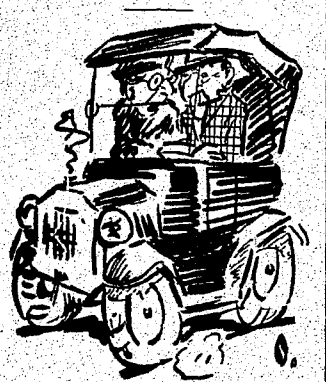
"Because my friend hadn't got his," was the reply.

## Used to It

Manager—That young woman whom I placed at this counter a year ago already knows more about the business than you do, and I find that I shall have to put her at the head of the department, though I fear it will be rather unpleasant for you to be under her orders, after being in charge so long.

Clerk—Oh, no, not the slightest, sir; I am getting used to that. We were married last spring.

## NOT AN OLD TOP



Mrs. Gold (motoring)—Did you hear that fellow call to you, "Hello, old top?"

Hubby—Yes, what of it?

Mrs. G.—Well, I wouldn't permit anyone to make a remark like that. Our car-top is brand new.

## Idea of Heaven

Mrs. Peck—Henry, why is it, do you suppose, that it is said there are no marriages in heaven?

Henry—Why, er, it wouldn't be heaven, would it, if there were marriages?

## Profitable Gift

Dad—Well, Jimmie, how do you like the whistle I gave you for your birthday?

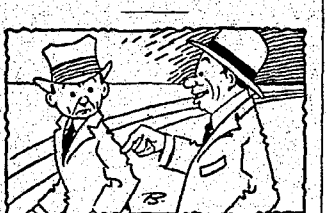
Jimmie—It's the best present I received, Dad. Mother bargained to give me a nickel a day not to blow it.

## Well Done

Judge Duff—Have you a lawyer, Sambo?

Sambo—Naw, sub, Jedge. We done decided to tell de troof.

## HE FAILED TO STAND UP.



"I want you to understand, sir, I always stand up for women!"

"Except in the street cars, I've noticed a number of times."

## Practical Engagement

Mrs. Kulper—Say, Miranda, did Rastus give Liza an engagement ring for being engaged?

Miranda—No, Mis' Kulper, he done bettah dan dat. He guv huh an engagement wringer fo' huh 'lectric wash-machine.

## The Sad Truth

Teacher—Willie, define the word "puncture."

Willie—A puncture is a little hole in a tire, usually found a great distance from a garage.

## Reasonable Question

Sally Anne (aged six)—Granddad, were you in the ark?

Granddad—Why no, honey.

Sally Anne—Then why weren't you drowned?

## A Woman's World

Urma—Mabel is getting a man's wages.

Helen—Yes, I knew she was married.

## Fair Question

Old Gent—Don't suppose you know what good honest work is?

Tramp—No, sir, what good is it?

## Tom Edison Goes Railroading



Port Huron of the 1850's-60's will live again in the motion picture "Young Tom Edison," which will have its world premiere in Port Huron, Feb. 10 where Thomas A. Edison, the noted inventor, spent his boyhood. A great celebration will be staged by the town where Edison lived as a boy and made his first experiment while he was a newsboy on Port Huron-Detroit trains. In this scene from the picture, Edison is portrayed by Mickey Rooney, starting from Port Huron on his daily run to the big city. The station still stands, though long disused, and Mickey and other notables will arrive there on the old train on which Edison worked as a boy and once set afire with some of his chemicals. The train, which is housed as a permanent exhibit at Greenfield village, will run to Port Huron on its own power.

## LET IT RAIN



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## Sabot Makers of France

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## Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

February 1, 1917

Members of the Michigan Fish Commission, the Senate Fish Committee and the House Fish Committee, made an official visit to the Grayling hatchery Saturday. They arrived in the Fish Commission car at 12:55 a. m. Some of the officers of the Hatchery club met the visitors and an informal reception was held at the Social club rooms, after which the hatchery was visited. Supt. Zalsman was on the job, as usual and acted as the guide. The visiting committees were given a banquet at Shoppenagons Inn at noon, by the local officers of the Grayling Hatchery club: Rasmus Hanson, president; and Marius Hanson, secretary and treasurer.

Mrs. Martin Peterson of this city died suddenly from paralysis at the home of her mother in Manistee Wednesday of last week, following a stroke of apoplexy at noon. Mr. and Mrs. Peterson recently went to Manistee for a visit. Mrs. Peterson was thought to be in good health and her death came as a shock to her many friends. The Petersons came to Grayling about three years ago and Mr. Peterson was employed in the Salling, Hanson Company mill. The funeral was held Monday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Dora Wagner, in Manistee.

At an invitation from the members of the Loyal Order of Moose, their wives and friends accepted the privilege of spending an afternoon at their club-rooms last week Thursday. About 45 ladies were present. The afternoons are spent socially. This will be limited to members' wives only as the ladies wish to form a permanent organization at this time and elect officers and committees.

Miss Mabel Ketzbeck has resigned her position at the Holiday Bazaar.

A son, tipping the scales to seven pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshall, Thursday, January 25.

Miss Josephine Randolph of Toledo, is visiting her brother, William Randolph, and family on the South Side.

Hans Christiansen of Detroit visited his sister, Mrs. Alfred Jorgenson and other relatives and friends over Sunday.

Among the autos purchased by local parties at the Detroit auto show last week were a Coles car by T. W. Hanson and Oldsmobiles by A. M. Lewis and Fred Welsh.

Nellie Courtney, Katie Brown and Morey Abrahams, Frederic eighth graders, were among those who passed in all their studies.

McGuire DuPre has traded his property here with Walmer Jor-

genson for property in Bay City and will move his family there in the near future.

Wilhelm Raee, head bookkeeper for the Salling Hanson Co., will be manager of the Johannesburg Manufacturing company at Johannesburg, which position is made vacant by the resignation of Frank Michelson. Mr. and Mrs. Raee will move there in the near future. Mr. Michelson is located in Detroit with the Michelson Land & Home company.

There was a quiet and simple wedding at the home of the bride at six o'clock Friday evening when Mrs. Christine Ness became the wife of Christian Johnson. Only the near relatives of the couple were present. Mrs. Ness has lived in Grayling for about 11 years and is well known. Mr. Johnson has been engaged in several capacities with Salling, Hanson company and of late years as camp foreman. They left Saturday afternoon on a short wedding trip to Manistee and other places.

Mrs. Minnie Nelson, wife of N. P. Nelson, and a life-long resident of Grayling, passed away at her home on the South Side Thursday. Mrs. Nelson, who was formerly Miss Minnie Owen, was born in Grayling. Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her death a daughter, Sibella, and one sister, Mrs. Nora Brown, and a brother, Daniel, who reside in Grayling. Funeral services were held at the home, Rev. Mitchell officiating.

### Frederic School Notes (23 Years Ago)

Edna Brady has gone to Battle Creek for a visit.

Flora Malco and Roy Brown will pass in bookkeeping without examinations.

Morey Abrahams, although he has been absent from school for about a month during the first semester, passed the final examinations with high standing.

Roy McDermaid had the highest mark in arithmetic examination.

### LOVELLS NEWS (23 Years Ago)

It is expected the township library will be moved soon to the high school building.

Mr. Gale, forman of the Keuhl ranch, is preparing to move his family and household goods back to Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Caid and family enjoyed a few days visit from Mrs. Caid's father, Mr. Lewellin of Gladwin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kennedy entertained a number of friends Saturday evening at a progressive pedro party.

## Nation Prepares for Lent



The Rev. Frank R. Wilson, rector of St. James Episcopal church at Hyde Park, N. Y., the "Church of the President," presents a special Lenten message to people of the nation.

### Health & Hygiene

(Through the courtesy of The Detroit News, Children's Fund of Michigan and the W. K. Kellogg Foundation)

#### Concerning Neuritis (1)

Vague, aching pains in the arms, shoulder or neck are generally ascribed to "neuritis" by the layman. The physician, however, employs the term in a more exact sense and, specifically, to an inflammation of a nerve occurring somewhere between the brain or spinal cord and its destination.

The symptoms of neuritis vary according to the particular nerve or its constituent fibers which may be affected. If the nerve is one conveying sensation from the surface of the body to the brain, the sufferer may complain of pain, tenderness, prickling of the skin and a loss of its sensitivity. If a motor nerve, which causes movement of the muscles, is involved there would be observed first a weakening and later a wasting of a muscle — to be detected readily by its failure to contract when tapped with the doctor's familiar rubber hammer. Those nerve fibers which pass to the blood vessels and control their size, when inflamed produced redness, heat and swelling of the skin, or frequently coldness and a bluish tinge.

Accurate location of the affected nerve is not an easy matter, however, since most nerves contain a mixture of these several types of fibers.

More important for the physician is the determination of the cause of the neuritis since that alone dictates appropriate treatment.

When the pain, tenderness, loss of skin sensitivity and muscular weakness are confined to one part of the body, long exposure to cold, wind or rain may be suspected. If the patient's history rules out that possibility, inquiry often reveals that he has sustained an injury to a nerve tract, either from a fall or blow, or, perhaps, as the result of long continued pressure. Inflammation in a relatively remote area, sometimes within a bone, may also be transferred to a nerve.

Besides this localized form, a multiple neuritis involving nerves in many parts of the body is recognized. Usually, some form of poison, such as alcohol, lead or arsenic, is found to be responsible.

Moderate tipplers, rather than the lustier type of imbibor, are affected by alcoholic neuritis which produces a characteristic "wrist-drop," a peculiar dragging gait due to weakness of the feet, and pain, numbness and prickling sensations in legs and arms.

Multiple neuritis resulting from lead poisoning was noted by Benjamin Franklin in printers with whom he worked. The dropping of the wrist, accompanied by pain in the hands, was then known as the "dangles." Franklin correctly ascribed the condition to the fact that the men did not wash their hands after handling type and before eating.

Painters are often similarly afflicted. Other persons can trace their lead neuritis to drinking water conveyed through lead pipes or to face powders containing lead.

## Washington Notes And Comments

By Congressman Roy O. Woodruff Tenth Michigan District.

In a statement last week before one of the subcommittees of the House Appropriation Committee, the Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., asked that the Congress raise the statutory debt limit from the present figure of 45 billions of dollars to 50 billions of dollars.

Thus the New Deal Administration, through its Secretary of the Treasury finally admits a situation which it has sought by fallacious figuring and strange methods of calculating to conceal from the American people — namely, that New Deal spending has finally hit the ceiling and must now go out through the roof.

Asked by some of the Republican members of the committee if he saw any danger of inflation in an increase in the statutory debt limit, the Secretary of the Treasury replied that up to 50 billion dollars he saw no particular danger, but that beyond that figure he would not venture an opinion. He made this further significant statement to the committee:

When the debt reaches "49 billions Congress should take another look at it."

There is nothing fixed or magical about the figure of 50 billion dollars. Every argument that has been presented by the Secretary of the Treasury or anybody else in the Administration to justify raising the present statutory limit of 45 billion dollars would apply equally as well to 50 billion or 53 billion dollars or 55 billion dollars, or more.

The point is — and it is a vital and dangerous point for this Nation — that taking the first step to raise the debt limit is like taking the first drink, it is easier to take the next and successive ones.

It is now apparent that the only way to prevent an increase in the statutory debt limit is for public opinion and public protest to become so strong that the present Congress will not consider taking such a step. The next and most important safeguard against this and probable successive increases in the statutory debt limit is for the Nation to turn out of office those whose spending and squandering and wasting have brought us to the point where the Secretary of the Treasury has to say to a committee of the Congress "raise the debt limit to 50 billion dollars, but when the debt reaches 49 billion dollars, take another look, and beyond 50 billions I would not venture an opinion as to the danger of disaster."

These were, in effect, though not verbatim, the expressions of the Secretary.

This situation assumes an appalling aspect when we stop to consider that when the debt limit of 45 billion dollars was established in the statutes, it was considered a grotesque figure by the statesmen of that day who believed this Nation would never under any circumstances be carrying a debt of anything like 45 billion dollars.

This proposed increase is the first shot of opiate to deaden the pain, but not to heal the disease. The cure for the situation can be found only in cutting expenditures in every department of the government where a cut is possible without causing suffering to the unemployed and any others necessarily on relief, or injuring the economic structure of the Nation.

As I have pointed out in previous letters many months ago, there is a great class of citizens in this Nation who sadly need relief and who must have relief and who are not getting relief — I mean the taxpayers. There are many other citizens who need relief but are not getting it and who, because of the enormous expenditures and the profligate extravagance of the New Deal, have never received a penny of relief.

One grave difficulty is the vast number of "the faithful" New Deal political henchmen on the rolls as high-priced relievers who have in reality displaced many more thousands of the worthy deservings.

For more than two years the Republicans have been warning the country that unless the New Dealers took several tucks in their prodigal spending, an increase in the debt would be unavoidable. For a long time the Republicans have advocated a careful survey of governmental activities to determine where savings might be made. These plans have gone unheeded. No increase in the debt limit ought to be even considered until every dime has been cut from the cost of government that it is possible to save.

## Current Wit and Humor

### WRONG MAN

The minister advertised for a manservant, and the next morning a nicely dressed young man rang the bell.

"Can you start the fire and get breakfast by seven o'clock?" asked the minister.

"I guess so," answered the young man.

"Well, can you polish all the silver, wash the dishes, and keep the house neat and tidy?"

"Say, Parson," said the young fellow, "I came here to see about getting married—but if it's going to be as much work as all that, count me out now."

### ORIGINAL GARB



Mrs. Bontion—And your husband will attend the masquerade, too? How is he going?

Mrs. Nuvoriche—Oh, something so original—in the garbage of an ashman.

About to Mature Sam—Listen heah, boy, jes' what kind o' life you been livin'?

Rastus—Oh, ordinary, jes' ordinary.

Sam—Well, if yo' pulls any mo' aces out o' yo' shoe, yo' ordinary life is goin' to mature.

Language Lessons "I hear you have adopted a baby!"

"Yes, he is two months old—a little French boy."

"Why choose a French one?"

"When he begins to speak, we shall have an opportunity of learning French."

Lengthy Visit After six weeks stay, McNab grudgingly gave the hotel porter a shilling.

"Ye know, when I was in Paris tips cost me nigh on 10 shillings," he said.

"Were you there many years, sir?"

### TESTING HER FAITH



Fortune-teller—Don't worry, dearie. You'll soon come in to a big sum of money.

Client—Fine! Would you mind waiting for your fee till I get it?

Reasons Stated Vicar's Wife—I'm sorry, Mrs. Johnson, to notice that you do not come to our meetings as regularly as a year ago.

Mrs. Johnson (calmly)—I have two good reasons for not coming.

Vicar's Wife—How bad! What are they?

Mrs. Johnson—Twins!

Always Something Stranger in Missouri—Well, crops are wonderful around here, so I don't suppose you have anything to kick about this year.

Native—Donno 'bout that, Stranger. Them big crops take a heap o' potash out o' my land.

Works Two Ways Lady—Yes, I would like you to paint my portrait. But you must guarantee that it will be lifelike.

Artist—Oh, certainly; providing that it is, you will guarantee to take it.

Very Interested Eva—When I was 10 years old my father gave me a very valuable ring. Would you care to see it?

Edna—Rather, I just adore antiques.

Nice Girl. "I always had a presentiment I would die young," said the chorus girl.

"And you didn't, after all, did you?" said her girl friend.

Brethren "Many a man has a talent for conversation which he has had no opportunity of turning to account!"

Um—er—yes; I am married myself.

Chicago Paints Skylights Following the plan employed by certain cotton mills in the South, Chicago factory owners are painting their huge skylights blue or white to reduce the inside temperature of the building and also reduce reflected glare on machinery. This method may also be practiced on attic windows or skylights with effective results.

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## BLUE GOOSE LINES

### STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford.

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph J. Royce, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that 2 months from the 1st day of February A. D. 1940, have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the City of Grayling in said county, on or before the 6th day of April A. D. 1940, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 8th day of April A. D. 1940, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated January 26, 1940.

Charles E. Moore,

2-1-4 Judge of Probate.

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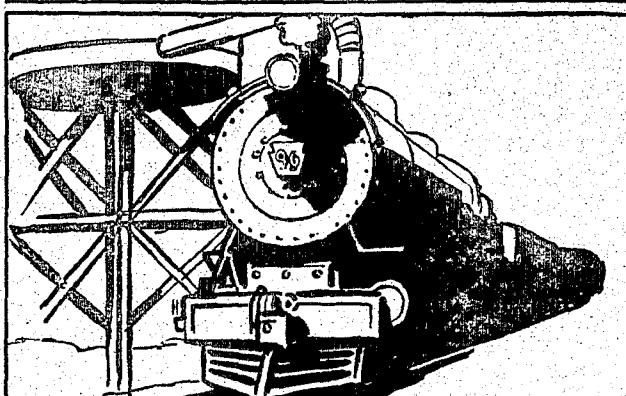


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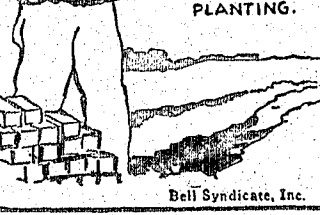
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Michigan Press Association

By GENE ALLEMAN

County supervisors who "received everything we asked for" in the 1939 legislature's home rule welfare act, according to Melville B. McPherson, chairman of the state tax commission, now propose new and drastic changes.

In the first place, the supervisors would have the state get out almost entirely of the welfare field.

Supervisors would hold complete control over how the welfare money is handled, and the state would set aside one-third of its sales tax revenues — or approximately \$15,000,000 in a normal good year — for relief needs of the counties.

The blessing of Gov. Luren D. Dickinson on the supervisors' plan was duly proclaimed in the name of economy. The 1939 legislature had appropriated \$8,750,000 for welfare needs, a reduction of nearly one-half from the previous year's expenditures, and it had put the home rule responsibility right on the supervisors' lap.

Dearth of funds, however, has been disconcerting to supervisors as well as state officials. The latter particularly dislike the idea of a special session in 1940 for several good reasons, these being mainly the present \$90,000,000 state deficit and the unpopularity of any new taxes.

#### Local Control

Under the supervisors' tentative plan as approved by the governor counties would also take over responsibility for the spending of other millions — \$4,000,000 of aid for dependent children, and \$800,000 for crippled and afflicted children.

But while the counties were getting more money for relief purposes, they would leave to the state the administration of state old-age pensions. Again the legislature is asked by the supervisors to step up its appropriation for this form of assistance from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000 annually to be matched with an equal amount by the Federal government.

It is estimated that this increase, providing \$4,000,000 annually, would assure pensions to 25,000 more persons who are now eligible to receive them.

Eighty per cent of the relief jackpot would be allocated to counties on a population basis, according to the supervisors' scheme, and 20 per cent would go to a state fund for emergency needs. Whereas the supervisors' formula is based on population, city officials of metropolitan centers have insisted that relief should be allocated on the basis of actual need on the theory that industrial cities often are harder hit with unemployment than small towns.

The city vs. rural controversy thus may break out into new fury as a result of the supervisors' plan. It will likely be challenged by Detroit and other large cities in Michigan. Labor complications are also foreseen.

#### Liquor Row

Action of Governor Dickinson, a national and state anti-saloon league leader, in deserting his fellow townsman and temperance-living neighbor, Muri H. DeFoe, was one of those things that makes the Lansing scene of news interest these days.

DeFoe, member of the state liquor commission, believed that the state was putting too much money into liquor inventories, that a reduction of this investment would afford a cool million dollars for welfare use, and that, anyway, the commission was paying too much attention to a few distilleries.

Orrin A. DeMass, Detroit, commission chairman, countered with denials. DeFoe declared he would decline to sign any more orders for purchases with the "big six" distilleries until Feb. 5, the new "buying" meeting.

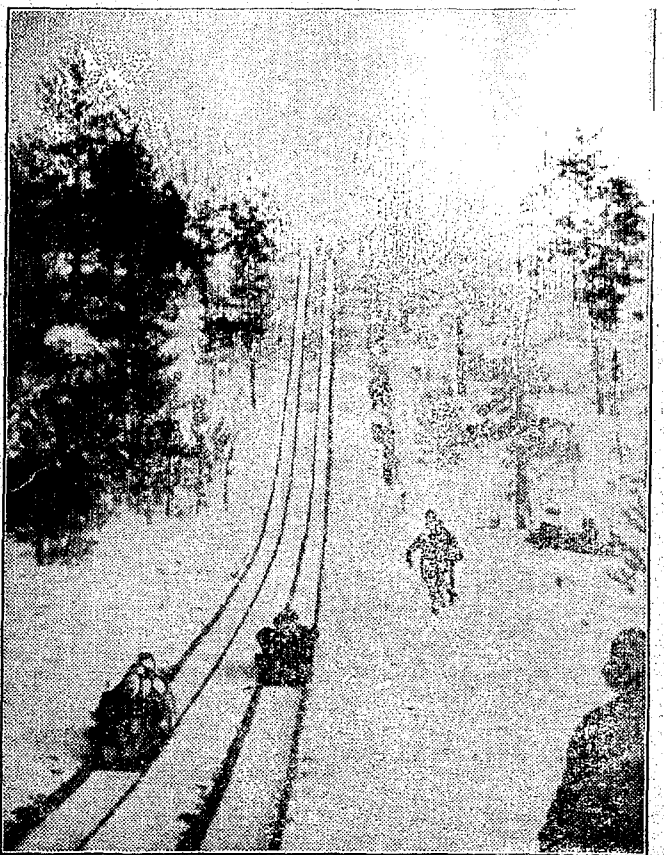
It was all a bit disconcerting.

The dispute gave another airing to the problem of liquor purchases and sales, a state business whose gross sales in 1938 totaled more than \$37,000,000 — 5,236,000 gallons of whiskeys, gins and rums and 102,873,000 gallons of beer. Last year, liquor sales increased nearly 20 per cent due to better times.

#### Winter Sports

With winter's cold blasts assuring plenty of ice skating and tobogganing, the Upper Peninsula

## Fun for Everybody Is the Motto For Winter Sports This Week-End



(By E.M.T.A. Service)

#### At Silver Valley in the Heart of the Huron National Forest

The tempo of winter sports activities has increased to a quick pace now that events are in full swing.

Lewiston has entered the picture with a new toboggan run which is a thriller. These icy chutes following the natural contour of the ground are 2,450 feet in length and containing three knolls. The full length of the slide is illuminated. Toboggans are furnished and trucks haul the sliders back to the top of the hill. Because of the 200-foot drop, toboggans have been clocked at 24 to 28 seconds for 2,200 feet... some speed!

#### Dates for Onaway "Winter Wonderland" Set

On February 3rd and 4th, Onaway will hold its "Winter Wonderland" festival. On Saturday, there will be skating and other events... the Queen will be crowned at the Queen's Ball. For the coronation ceremonies, an ice castle is being constructed, and plans are underway to have some live deer (tame ones, circulating among the trees and spectators).

#### Big Events at Grayling

Festivities at Grayling will hit a new high on February 2, 3, and 4 when the winter carnival gets underway. Radio announcer Jimmie Stevenson, Charles Gehring and Barney McCoskey of the Detroit Tigers will be on hand to crown the Queen.

Snow trains will be coming from Detroit and other metropolitan centers every Sunday throughout the season.

#### Alpena Offers Many Entertainment Features

The schedule of events released by Ben G. Wright, Secretary of the Alpena Chamber of Commerce, for January 26, 27 and 28 includes speed skating meets, barrel jumping contests, dog derby, figure skating exhibitions and many other entertainment features. The Sixth Annual Winter Carnival Ball will climax the affair on January 27 at the Memorial Hall.

#### Cheboygan Has Fish "Shanty Town"

Along the shoreline near Cheboygan, hundreds of fish shanties have been erected by winter fishing enthusiasts. Many of Cheboygan's summer residents return in the winter for the ice fishing, and the gala winter sports program which includes some of the finest figure skating in Michigan and various Merri Gums and festivals scheduled during the season.

#### Harrison in the Picture

Harrison's breath-taking toboggan run which is located on the shore of Budd Lake at the state park is drawing tourists from many spots in Michigan. The Harrison folks emphasize the fact that the runs are kept free from snow, and that their town is easily accessible.

## Prophet Without Honor



Legend has it that if old Gus Groundhog sees his shadow on February 2 we're in for six weeks more of cold weather. Though Gus has been debunked as a reliable weather prophet he's always the center of attention on that date. However, every groundhog still has a few followers who believe in him.

will celebrate a number of community winter sport festivals during February. The events will continue through Washington's birthday.

Escanaba and Newberry stage their carnivals February 2, 3, 4. Marquette's showing will be Feb. 5-11; Negaunee, Feb. 8-10; Gladstone, Feb. 9-11; Iron Mountain Feb. 10-12; Sault Ste. Marie, Feb. 14-11; Munising, Feb. 17-18; Ishpeming, Feb. 19-22; Houghton, Feb. 14-17.

The all-peninsula queen con-

test will be held at the Soo on Feb. 17.

Members of the Escanaba Ski club made a trip to Tahquamenon Falls last Saturday and Sunday, believe it or not.

In the Lower Peninsula the winter sport centers include Grayling's big toboggan-skating park, Alpena, Petoskey and Ionia. Winter sports offer a new development for Michigan; a healthful recreation for its residents, and a source of additional income for many communities.

## Important Dates In History

(From Michigan Historical Commission, Lansing)

February 1, 1841: Copper deposits of Lake Superior region in commercial quantity first reported by Douglass Houghton, Michigan's first state geologist.

February 3, 1855: Michigan Agricultural College established by act of the state legislature.

February 4, 1902: Charles A. Lindberg was born in Detroit.

February 8, 1818: Austin Blair, Michigan's Civil War governor, was born at Caroline, State of New York.

February 12, 1781: Fort St. Joseph (site of City of Niles, Berrien County) was looted by Spaniards. Spanish flag was raised over the Fort, but the freebooters were driven out the next day.

February 14, 1932: Banking holiday called by Governor William A. Comstock.

February 22, 1814: Henry P. Baldwin, governor of Michigan 1869-1873, was born in Coventry, Rhode Island.

February 23, 1778: George Rogers Clark captured Vincennes from the British, treaty basis for extending United States to the Mississippi River at close of the Revolutionary War.

February 27, 1836: Russell A. Alger, governor of Michigan 1885-1887, was born in Medina County, Ohio.

## MANY INSECTS HAVE FIVE EYES

Many insects, including ants, bees and wasps, have five eyes—two compound eyes and three ocelli, or simple eyes, reports the Better Vision Institute. The compound eyes are usually large and well developed. The three simple eyes in ants are usually well developed and form a triangle on the back of the head known as the ocellar region. Just how this double set of eyes works is not definitely known, but it is held by some that the compound eyes are for distinguishing movement near at hand and that the ocelli are used, like a thermometer, in detecting differences in light and dark.

Although the ants stand out among the insects as having the best developed supplementary ocelli (probably because they go from darkness to light as they go in and out of their nests in the ground), other insects have one, two or even three well developed ocelli in addition to their two compound eyes. The hover fly, for example, (which many persons might mistake for a wasp or bee) has well developed ocelli that are plainly visible.

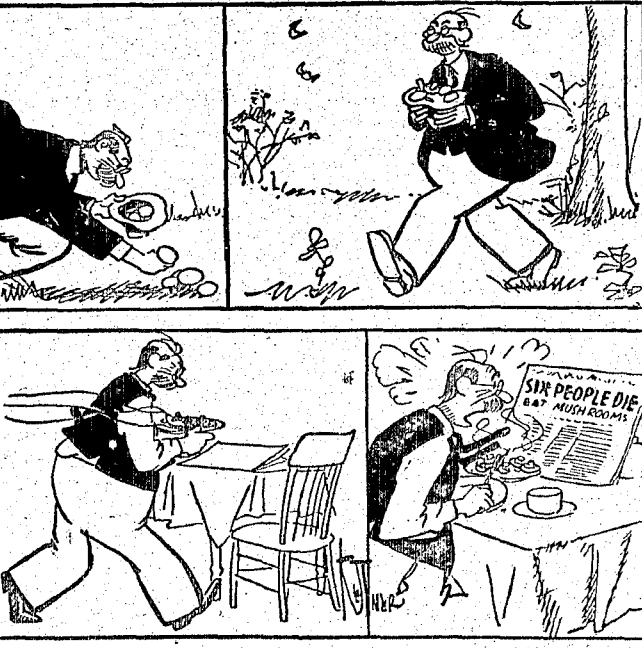
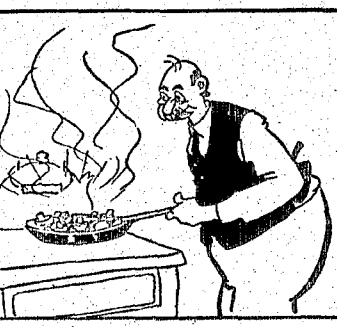
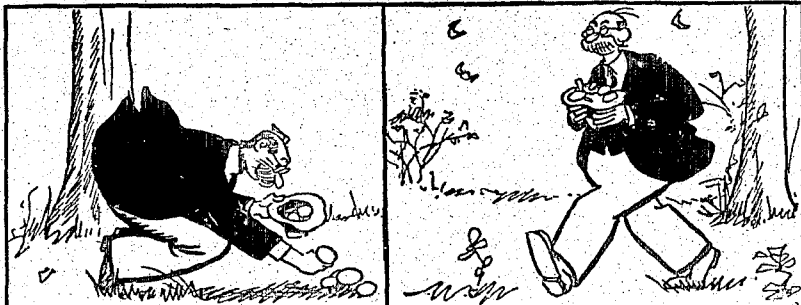
## Will Hitler Have a Fatal "Accident"?

Is Germany's Fuehrer nearing the end of his reign? Was the Munich explosion the "handwriting on the wall"? In the blacked out capitals of Europe these days, the men in the know are whispering strange predictions. One of the men who is in contact with those on the inside is Henry C. Wolfe, who forecast the Hitler-Stalin Alliance while the two gentlemen were still engaged in hurling insults at each other. This Week, the magazine with Sunday's Detroit News, asked Mr. Wolfe to give the "low down" on the war's next big development and it's coming to you next Sunday! Watch for this amazing article with its many surprises.

## Idiots Are Imitative

A Mongolian idiot has abnormally short thumbs and little fingers, a flat skull and slanting eyes similar to those of the Mongolians. They rarely live to maturity and during life almost without exception have to be institutionalized. They have a happy disposition and are lively and imitative.

PETER B. PEEVE



## SNAPSHOTS



Started Hawaiian Dance Vogue

Charles E. Rochester, New York hotel executive, fell in love with Hawaiian music and dancing three years ago in Honolulu, imported Ray Kinney, singing idol of the islands, a Hawaiian band and a troupe of beautiful hula dancers. They have made the Hawaiian Room of his Hotel Lexington the most successful night spot in New York and the romantic Hawaiian atmosphere has spread from there all over the country. Rochester is now in Hawaii recruiting new talent to continue authentic entertainment at the Lexington.

Girl in Alcove—Philadelphia, Pa.—Lovely Frances Burto as she appeared during a dress rehearsal of the "Poor Richard" annual banquet.

Hot Piano—Bob Zurke, popular band maestro, brings forth some ear-tickling tonal effects on the new Storytone electronic piano for one of his records during a recording session at the Victor Studios.

For the first time in his long career at the microphone, Gabriel Heatter, host of "We, The People," looked up to one of his guests when Robert Wadlow appeared with him on his Tuesday night show on CBS. Gabe with his 6' 2" is radio's tallest master-of-ceremonies, but young Wadlow, measuring 8' 6" claims to be the world's tallest man.

## Find Woods Safe Place From



When Russian bombing planes were dropping their messages of death on Helsinki, capital city of Finland, the safest place for the civilian population was found to be in the woods nearby, and to the woods went these two women and their four children. They seem to bear fear of death or injury with stoicism.

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## LOCALS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1940

The Hospital Aid Society will meet at the Nurses' Home on Thursday, February 8.

Nearly 1000 people came to Grayling on the two Detroit snow trains Sunday.

Mrs. Stanley Flower was hostess to the Lake Margrethe Card club at her home Wednesday afternoon.

Russell Robertson is driving a brand new special deluxe Chevrolet town sedan, purchased of Alfred Hanson.

Robert, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Horning, is ill at home with pneumonia. He is getting along nicely, however.

The local Chapter of the Women of the Moose will have a social party at the Moose Temple, Monday evening, February 5. Each member is asked to bring a guest.

Anyone wanting tickets to the Golden Gloves Tournament at Bay City February 7th and 8th, notify Jack Redhead. Grayling gloves will appear on those dates.

Mrs. Walter Hanson, who has been ailing for some time, was removed to Mercy Hospital from her home the latter part of the week. She is reported as getting along nicely.

You may now buy the famous Holeproof Hosiery at Olson's.

"Birdie" Tebbetts was in Detroit Tuesday where he signed a contract to catch for the Detroit Tigers for the coming season. Newspapers say his contract calls for a substantial increase in salary.

Mrs. Victor Sorenson celebrated her 75th birthday anniversary Monday. Several of her friends dropped in to wish her a happy birthday and to spend the afternoon visiting. Mrs. Sorenson served a delicious lunch.

A little son born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Pratt (Alice LaBrash) on January 26, passed away a few minutes after birth. Mrs. Pratt is getting along nicely at Mercy Hospital. There are five other children in the family.

Reservations for rooms for this week-end have been coming in fast to the Chamber of Commerce, and Secretary Harley Russell requests that those having rooms call him. Give how many and the price of rooms.

Home Extension Group No. 4 met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bernard Brady. The lesson on block printing was given by Mrs. Carl Hanson and Mrs. John Mallingier, the leaders of the group. The hostess served lunch.

Orville, age 4, and Dolores, age 2, children of Mr. and Mrs. Earl McMillan of Frederic, are ill with pneumonia at Mercy Hospital. Monday the little boy was brought to the hospital and the following day his sister was taken there. Other children in the same family are ill with severe colds.

The meeting Tuesday evening of Home Extension Group III was much enjoyed beginning with a pot luck dinner at the home of Mrs. Wilfred Laurant. Block printing, the lesson for the evening, was given by Leaders Mrs. Ernest Borchers and Mrs. Eugene Papendick. Some of the members cut out patterns and tried stamping them on materials using paints.

Several officials of the Buick Motor Car Co., of Flint, have written Jesse Schoonover, the local Buick dealer, saying that they will come to Grayling Friday and while here desire to meet a lot of our Grayling citizens. They intend to take pictures of some of our local sights, probably for the purpose of using them in some of their Buick advertising. Let's make them heartily welcome.

Frank Serven received word Monday of the death of his mother, in Omaha, Nebr.

Tomorrow, Friday, will be groundhog day. Let us hope there will be many shadows. That will assure six more weeks of winter.

The Grayling Township Health Unit, which was to have met Thursday, February 8, will meet Friday, February 9, at the home of Mrs. Hurl Deckrow.

For Men Only! Interwoven hose, 35c to \$1.00 at Olson's.

As we go to press, word has been received of the death of Joseph Duby, of Lovells. Mr. Duby, 79 years old, passed away at Mercy Hospital this morning (Thursday). Funeral services will be held from the Sorenson Funeral Home Saturday at 2:00 o'clock.

Tuesday, January 30, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sorenson celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary. About 20 of their friends gathered and a sleigh ride was enjoyed. The party ended up at the Bernard Brady cottage at Lake Margrethe where hot chili and coffee was served.

Too much cannot be said for the Paul Henry Travel Bureau for the manner in which they are conducting the Detroit snow rains to Grayling. Every precaution is being used in keeping undesirable from the trains. In former years buffet cars served beer in the trains. This is not being allowed and as a result when the crowds arrive here there is almost no intoxication and everyone is happy and ready to enjoy the winter sports. There is a marked improvement in the orderliness of the crowds which is very gratifying to the local winter sports officials and to hundreds who come on the trains. Professional entertainers come with the trains which does much to improve the pleasure of the trips.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schaible were honor guests at a party at their home Wednesday evening. The occasion was to celebrate the 28th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Schaible and the birthday anniversary of Mr. Schaible. Miss Beverly Schaible was hostess, and was assisted by Mrs. Ernest Larson and Mrs. John Erkes. About 37 were present, and the evening was spent playing pinocchio and Chinese checkers. George Hilton received honor score for the men, and Mrs. A. L. Roberts, and Mrs. Earl Woods for the women, for pinocchio, and Mrs. Phil Moran for Chinese checkers. Two beautiful cakes graced the lunch table, one a large anniversary cake decorated in rainbow colors, with 28 candles, and the other a birthday cake also prettily decorated. Mr. and Mrs. Schaible were presented an occasional table, from the group.

The Townsend Club No. 1, at a meeting held on January 17th at the home of J. J. Hanselman, resolved that the meeting night should be changed to Monday night, beginning the 29th of January to be held every two weeks on Monday night during the cold weather or until further notice.

The Townsend Club No. 1, Grayling. 1-25-2

### FREDERIC RESIDENT DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Henry Laughton of Frederic, employed on the M. C. R. R. section out of Grayling, passed away at Mercy hospital Friday afternoon following a few days illness with pneumonia. He had been making his home in Grayling temporarily while working on the railroad. However, Frederic was his home where he had resided for ten years.

Mr. Laughton was born in Canada, February 5, 1876, of English parents. Three years ago his wife Anna died in Monitoba, Can.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Grayling Funeral Home, Rev. H. W. Kuhlman officiating. Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery. Two sons survive the deceased, Henry J. and Laurence, both of Frederic.

## Personals

Mrs. William Hill was called to Battle Creek Monday owing to the illness of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hershey of Garden City were guests of the Penrods over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Thorne of Alpena were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Darveau Sunday.

Miss Helen Brady of Lansing spent the week-end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady.

Anthony and Vincent Fritz and Daniel Perry of Detroit spent the week-end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perry.

Mrs. Eugene Papendick visited her father in Fife Lake Sunday. She accompanied her uncle, Bryan Newell.

Mrs. Will Strope was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Harrison at Higgins Lake from Thursday to Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger Hanson of Saginaw spent the week-end visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schaible were in Gaylord Friday attending the Grayling-Gaylord high school basketball game.

Mrs. William McNeven is spending a few days in Midland visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry Reynolds and family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Peterson and daughter Virginia left Tuesday to spend a month at Clearwater, Fla.

The Ladies' Aid of Michelson Memorial church will meet at the home of Mrs. Herbert Rowland Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burke and Sidney Noble of Toledo, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Larson over the week-end.

Rev. P. C. Stockholm was in Detroit the latter part of the week called there by the illness of Mrs. Stockholm's brother.

Charles Woodbury and daughter Mary Lou of Bay City were week-end guests of Mrs. Clara McLeod, coming for winter sports.

Mrs. Frank Michelson of Detroit who is visiting her son, Louie, at Houghton Lake, spent the week-end with Mrs. George Alexander.

Genevieve Witkowski came on the snow train from Detroit, Sunday and spent the afternoon visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Kasper and family.

Mrs. B. A. Cooley arrived from Flint Monday and is spending a couple of weeks visiting her grandson, Sam Gust, and with other Grayling friends.

Don Gothro enjoyed a vacation from his duties at the local bank last week and spent the time visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Robert Bensinger, in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders entertained the latter's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Van Norman and son Jack of Sandusky, Mich., over the week-end. They enjoyed the Winter Sports.

Miss Elizabeth Kolka of Detroit came via the snow train Sunday and spent the afternoon visiting her mother, Mrs. John Kolka. Mrs. Ivan Billman of Roscommon also came and spent the day with her mother.

John Henry Peterson drove home from M. S. C. Saturday to enjoy the winter sports. He brought with him Tony O'Brien, Jack Wright and the three Redfern brothers of Saginaw. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Holger Peterson.

Mrs. J. E. Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mings and little daughter Beverly Dawn returned to their home in Lansing Tuesday after visiting for several days with the former's daughter Mrs. George Schaible and family.

Mrs. Edward King of Flint came on the snow train Sunday and is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. George Miller for the week. She will be joined Sunday by Mr. King and others, who will be coming for the Winter Sports carnival.

Miss Yvonne Bradley's picture appeared in Monday's edition of the Detroit Free Press as one of Grayling's young talented amateur skaters. Miss Bradley has acted as instructor for some young people who are learning this fine out-of-door sport.

Mrs. George Olson entertained the 12 members of her bridge club at a very lovely luncheon at her home Wednesday afternoon. The guests were served on small tables scattered through the rooms. Totaled scores showed Mrs. C. G. Clippert, Miss Margaret Bauman, and Mrs. A. J. Joseph as high ladies for bridge.

Mrs. Marie Jensen spent the week-end visiting in Marshall, Mich.

Mrs. Horace Shaw is spending this week visiting relatives in Bay City.

William Berry of Bay City was the guest of Will Strope over the week-end.

Miss Faith Nebel of Rogers City was the guest of Joseph Stripe over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Bidva enjoyed having as their guests over Sunday, Mrs. Bidva's father, Gust Wenzel, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Netkowski of Rogers City.

Supt. and Mrs. Gerald Poor spent the week-end at Mt. Pleasant, the guests of Mrs. Poor's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson.

Mrs. Charles Hill of Ypsilanti is spending the week here the guest of Mrs. Harold Jarmin. Mr. Hill was here over the week-end as was also Mrs. William E. Hathaway of Lansing, the latter who visited Mrs. Herbert Gothro and other friends.

### DINNER HOSTS

Mr. and Mrs. Esbern Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hanson were hosts at a very delightful dinner for the ladies and gentlemen of their bridge club Tuesday.

Large bouquets of snapdragons, iris, stock, gladioli and roses added to the loveliness of the affair.

Five tables of bridge were in play throughout the evening. Mrs. A. J. Joseph and O. P. Schumann held high scores.

### Winter Sports Notes

Did you ever see a more beautiful sight than the Winter Sports Park at night? The roofs of the buildings heavily covered with snow and fringed along the edges with glistening icicles are a sight to behold.

Where Johnny Deckrow gets his ideas for throne nobody knows, but every season long about Carnival Time he begins scratching his head, and soon out pops his plans. The throne this year is entirely different. It's an Egyptian creation with a sphinx in the center with a huge pyramid on each side. Along in front of the pyramids and out on the ice are seven camels. The queen will be seated in front of the sphinx and each member of the court are to be seated on a camel on Coronation Day next Sunday during the crowning ceremonies. Except for the framework of the pyramids, the entire throne is built of snow and ice, and is a clever bit of artistry.

Miss Yvonne Bradley tops the gals at the Winter Sports Park for skating. She cuts a pretty figure and is very clever and graceful on the ice, and it's a treat to watch her perform. The young miss tells us that she hopes this summer to go to the Olympia in Detroit to take some lessons in skating. Who knows, maybe we have a Sonja Henie in our midst. What Miss Yvonne knows about skating she says she picked up herself, having skated since she was a tiny tot, except of late she says she has been getting some nice tips from skaters who come to the park from Ontario and other places that help a lot.

Sixty-three boys and girls skipped school at Bendle high school in Flint Tuesday and came to Grayling and spent the day at the Winter Sports Park.

They were members of the senior class of the school and were accompanied by Mrs. Ivy Goodman and Burton Carman, teachers. Traveling in two large buses, they left Flint at 5:00 a. m. and arrived in Grayling at 9:00 o'clock. The jolly crowd had a big time tobogganing, skating skiing and saddle skiing. Some of them even enjoyed the thrills of riding "Suicide Sal." "Swede" Swanson, however, rode with them which assured perfect safety. They stayed until 7:00 in the evening and were a happy bunch of youngsters when they pulled out for home saying they would surely come back again.

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### State-wide Taxpayers Meeting At Flint

#### MOMENTUM GROWING FOR ASSAULT ON SPENDING

"Since it will take until April 8 for the American people to earn the money that will be spent during 1940 by the federal, state and local governments, it is none too soon to sound the call for a reduction of spending by the state and local governments of Michigan," J. Elwood Andrews, executive secretary of the Genesee County Taxpayers' Association, declared today as he announced that a state-wide meeting of county taxpayers' associations and cooperating civic and business groups will be held here on February 23.

Delegations from Upper Peninsula counties as well as all other sections of the state will gather for a one-day session, in which the Michigan Public Expenditure Survey is assisting the Genesee group as hosts.

They will hear Frank G. Arnold, of Fullerton, Neb., whose drives against governmental costs in Nebraska and Colorado have met with unusual success. Other speakers will bring news of the renewed assault by New York citizens upon their state budget for 1940, as well as of successful taxpayer activities in New Jersey, Minnesota, Oklahoma and other states.

The taxpayers' session will be followed by a public mass meeting that evening with Mr. Arnold as the principal speaker.

"The spending fever in Michigan is entering a new and dangerous phase," Andrews continued, "I refer to the proposals by certain groups and interests for the ear-marking of a fixed percentage of funds from a given source for specific purposes like relief and education. These advocates are taking advantage of the discovery that existing sources of taxation can be made to yield more than the state is now collecting. It is much easier to combat pressure for a new or additional tax than it is to force these people to curb their spending desires. The state should make more efficient collections than it now does, but not for the purpose of merely extending its spending. The state has a deficit that must be liquidated and many other legitimate activities that must be adequately financed. However, runaway spending under the ear-marking process will not accomplish these ends."

### Womans Club

Mrs. Stanley Stealy was in the chair for the business session of the club. Twenty-seven members responded to the roll call at the residence of Mrs. Holger Hanson, Miss Josephine Nichols acting as hostess.

Mrs. Esbern Olson had charge of the program and read two very interesting articles on "Ancient Civilization of America," by Vincenzo Petrucci, Ph. D., University of Pennsylvania, and "A Visit to the Highland Country of Peru and Bolivia."

Mrs. A. K. Braidwood read a paper on "Gold of the Indies, Fancied and Real."

The next meeting will be a social meeting and will be held in the parlors of the Michelson Memorial church.

### The Weather

Wednesday, January 31, has been the warmest and coldest day of this week. At 2 a. m. the temperature registered 10 below zero and in the afternoon it had climbed to 30 above. The other mornings the thermometer has registered around 3 and 4 above. Sunday was an ideal day for the winter sports park as the mercury stayed around freezing all day, with the sun coming out later in the afternoon. This morning, Thursday, at 6 a. m. the mercury stood at 28 above and slowly rising, with a light rain coming down, later changing to snow. It has snowed every day this week, even though it has been very little some days.

### DATE OF LAND AUCTION NOT YET SET

The conservation department is not advertising tax-reverted lands for sale, nor does it deal through any agents, the lands division of the department is informing persons now making inquiries. State lands in 47 counties north of the Muskegon-Bay City line are administered by the department.

Date of the auction sale of recently reverted northern properties for which former owners have made application to repurchase has not yet been set, and is still some weeks away. But some lands offered at previous auctions and not sold may be obtained at minimum prices fixed by the department. Some of this acreage is suitable for hunting grounds, but it includes no water frontage for fishing, nor any good farm land, except possibly for woodlot or pasture use. This land may be bought directly of the department.

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### MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH

The Junior Ladies' Aid of Memorial church have completed a fine project in refinishing our dining room. It was a worthwhile undertaking and much credit is due them. That splendid chicken dinner last week was a sort of re-opening event. The dinner itself was of such fine quality that many are hoping for an early "repeat," but it is only an "annual event."

Sunday, February 4  
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At 11:00 a. m. Public worship.  
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## SCHOOL NEWS

### GRAYLING SCHOOL

Recently Grayling was notified that she will be host to the surrounding towns at the annual district basketball tournament February 29th, March 1st and 2nd.

Teams and officials have already been assigned and prospects are bright for a good tournament.

David Bates of Petoskey will be the head official and will be assisted by Dominic Gabrysiak of Mt. Pleasant.

In class C we find Mancelona, Onaway, Gaylord and Grayling entered while the class D champion lies among Johannesburg, Vanderbilt, St. Mary's of Gaylord, Frederic and Roscommon.

Miss Tumath, who for the past four and one-half years has been home economics instructor in Grayling, has tendered her resignation to the board of education and will leave at the end of the present week to take up her new duties as instructor at South High in Grand Rapids.

While here Miss Tumath proved to be an excellent teacher, well-liked by students, townspeople and fellow teachers alike. All are sorry to see her go but are glad to see her get this fine promotion. Her place will be taken by Miss Elsie McKibbin of East Lansing, who recently graduated from Michigan State College.

Last week the Green and White squads went to Gaylord and had to be content to return home on the short end of the score in both games.

The second team put up a hard battle which wasn't decided until the last five minutes of play when Gaylord pulled ahead to a 19-20 win.

The main game saw Gaylord jump into a nearly lead which was never threatened and pull away to win by a 30-8 count.

Friday the Alpena Thunderbolts play at Grayling in a game which marks the opening of the big winter sports week-end.

Alpena has long been a rival of the Green and White in a basketball way and a bang-up game is in prospect for the fans. "Birdie" Tebbetts will officiate.

### FREDERIC SCHOOL

#### Primary News

The primary children are still making their library chairs. They are going to upholster them in a few days. Everyone seems quite excited about the library project.

They like to hear Mrs. Quick read "The 500 Hats of Bartholomew Cubbins." It's their favorite story for the moment.

Mrs. Quick sent home the results of the eye tests that were taken last week.

The first three grades have decided that Friday will be the day when they will bring toys from home to show the other pupils.

They have begun to study the scale in music, and enjoy it very much. Mrs. Quick thinks one of the reasons that they are so interested in learning the scale is so that later (much later) they can join the band.

#### High School

The freshmen class had a skating party last Wednesday night. They had a very good time. The sophomores were to have gone Wednesday night but were delayed so went down Thursday. The rink was being flooded so they went to the show. They are planning another skating party in the near future and hope they have better luck.

The chemistry class have been studying carbon and its compounds.

All English classes have started spelling. We believe we need it!

#### Gossip

"Miss Snoop," (Beatrice Newberry) has been absent from school with a sore throat. She returned to write her column and play basketball Friday night.

Who was that gal at Indian River that Jim Cram, Frederic Romeo, went out of his way to say good night to? Better watch your man, Juliet!

Gloria Manier has been trying her darndest to get into the news. But, really, Gloria, you didn't have to play football on the basketball floor to do it.

Say, I'd like the low-down on who is Miss Cooper's heart-beat at the moment. She changes every night. First Gus, then Stevie Boy, then that cowboy from Brooklyn.

Why was Phil worrying over that cousin of Helen's? He wasn't so handsome, Phil!

Then, too, where did Tom get that jingle belle (what was she Tom, blonde or brunette?)

Helen Wallace is back in school after having been absent several days with the flu.

#### Sports

The basketball team won a tough game at Indian River January 23 by a close margin of one free shot.

Last Friday we took three teams to Vanderbilt. Both boys' teams came out on top by large

scores but the girls didn't do so well. They lost 8-17. Of course, they don't have a regular practice period as the boys do, so they just get it when they can and as everyone knows, practice makes perfect.

Elmer Kellogg was unable to play Friday night with the team at Vanderbilt because of infection in his hand and arm.

The boys are pretty proud now that they have new jockey sat-in sweat jackets. Each member of the first team received one.

## Skating Rinks Operate At Grayling Schools

Under the supervision of the recreation program and in cooperation with the County School commission, two skating rinks are steadily supplying the children with a facility for skating fun and amusement.

One rink is located at the Grayling high school and the other rink is located at the Grayling South Side school.

These two rinks are under the supervision of Recreation Leaders John Schofield and Franklin Williams.

Recreation Leader Joseph Lennert is on special duty at these rinks for the purpose of giving skating instructions to beginners. The following days he is on duty:

Monday, Grayling high school, from 3 to 9 p. m.

Tuesday, South Side school, 7:30 to 9:30 p. m.

Wednesday, South Side school, 3 to 9 p. m.

Thursday, Grayling high school, 3 to 9 p. m.

Friday, South Side school, 7 to 9 p. m.

Saturday, Grayling high school, 10 to 4 p. m.

Sunday, Grayling high school, 2 to 5 p. m.

These rinks make it possible for beginners to get a reasonable chance and opportunity to learn the fundamentals of this winter sport and also provides a place for the skaters to go to have fun on the ice. They will be opened for use at all times as weather permits.

The primary purpose of these rinks is to give the children of Grayling skating facilities, which are accessible at all times and under competent supervision.

The adults are welcome to use the rinks in the evening when space will permit, until other facilities are provided.

This program is sponsored by the recreation division of the Michigan Works Project Administration.

### Loyal Citizens

(Anonymous)

Our Winter Sports is being run by citizens loyal and true, but their jobs grows tougher day by day, if they get no help from you. This spark of ours is growing fast, let's have team to make it last. It's growing in size and spreading its fame and all must help to keep up its name. Some cooperate for all, while others expect their cut—still others do nothing at all, and stay in the same old rut. Our kids are also growing. Some day they'll run the show and now's the time to teach them the value of our snow. Kids are kids and all must play—whether rich or poor—let's give them all the fun we can and never shut the door. Right now the world looks rose, we're full of pep and zip. But Father Time is on the job—some day we'll lose our grip. And then our youngsters, also older, must carry on while our fires smoulder. We've got to teach them how it's done and still not deny them all their fun, for thoughts conceived in a youngster's mind, are very likely to last. Let's not have to look back, in the future, with any regrets of the past. So while we're studying figures, and what the gate will take, let's think a little forward and give our kids a break. —By a Local Jangler.

### Public Notice

An order was promulgated by the Michigan Department of Agriculture upon request of the Board of Supervisors of Crawford County for the test of all herds of cattle in the county for Bang's disease. The initial test was completed February 15, 1938.

Under the plan for establishing the county a Bang's Disease Accredited Area a second general test of all herds in Crawford County will be commenced February 5, 1940. Full cooperation from all cattle owners will be expected.

E. A. Beamer,

Commissioner, Michigan Department of Agriculture. 2-1-1

### CARD OF THANKS

To our neighbors and friends we extend our sincere thanks for their many acts of kindness and beautiful expressions of sympathy during the illness and at the passing of our husband and father.

Mrs. Sherman Neal and Family.

## When Forest Giants Sleep



Hartwick Pines state park near Grayling, where may be seen one of the few remaining stands of virgin white pine in Michigan, is attracting many visitors this winter. The trip to the park is an interesting side jaunt for those drawn to Grayling winter sports park. Trees in 80-acre stand of virgin pine are more than a century old, tower to heights of 100 feet and more. Hartwick Pines state park is one of many kept open during winter months by the Michigan department of conservation.

## Governor Deserts Friend

By Floyd J. Miller in Royal Oak Tribune

Church people and ardent dries who have been warm supporters of Governor Dickinson are considerably puzzled by his latest action in liquor control matters. They can't understand how one can talk the way the Governor does about this problem and then fail to help clean up the present mess in Michigan.

Probably nobody was more surprised than Muri H. DeFoe of Charlotte, who was appointed to the liquor commission because he was supposed to understand and agree with the Governor's views. For when DeFoe, a few days ago, spoke out in the open about certain abuses, the Governor apparently repudiated his viewpoint and sided in with the other commission members who are not noted as dries.

Such a body as the liquor control commission is bound to be surrounded by rumors of skulduggery. Those who are close enough to the Michigan situation to see what really goes on, declared that a great many of the charges are far from pipe dreams. Of course everything is strictly legal. The smart boys don't carry on business any other way these days, but it is possible for things to be within the law and still be pretty rotten.

DeFoe made up his mind that too much liquor of certain brands was being bought. He declared that no more should be purchased for a few days, and said he would not sign any purchase orders for it. The figures he presented (and which should be available to every taxpayer) seem to bear out his contention.

### KEEPS HIS EYES SHUT

Anyone who is not blind can look back over the history of liquor control in this state and find many things that it would be hard to justify on any basis but one. Yet all perfectly legal, you understand.

The Governor is not increasing his reputation for fairness and good sense by adopting a "see no evil—hear no evil—speak no evil" attitude. There was a welcome new note in Michigan's governmental affairs when the elderly gentleman took office in Lansing and refused to get all het up about every little charge and countercharge that came to his attention. (That is, if it did come to his attention. Most of these things don't. The right people see to it.) But no man who is giving genuine thought to the protection of the public interest can sit in the executive office and fail to get excited about anything.

Oh yes, the Governor did bawl out some women who invaded a church service at Charlotte to beg that state aid for themselves and their children be restored. He later issued a statement critical of the same women because somebody reported to him that one or more of them was seen smoking cigarettes. This, in the Governor's mind (and probably in many others) is a luxury which the taxpayers under present circumstances cannot support.

And the Governor was critical also of high life in New York City when he visited that hell hole a few months ago. His alarmed warnings reverberated across the nation. Whether they did any good or not is another question.

If, instead of worrying about an occasional fifteen cents spent by a welfare client for cigarettes, the Governor would worry about the really important money that is being burned up daily right in the capital building where he has his office, he would really be doing something.

No doubt he was properly shocked at seeing young folks drink in New York. He should look in some time on the really serious drinking that is done within a stone's throw of his office while legislators and state employees are being worked on by smart people.

There aren't many officials in the state government who have the courage to speak out about abuses. Most of them are too busy figuring out what office they will run for next, or how to take care of more of the boys back home. So when one like DeFoe forgets his personal comfort and goes to bat in behalf of the taxpayer and decent citizens, one might expect the man who is supposed to have cornered most of the church vote would do something about it. It seems otherwise.

All this is rather disturbing when one runs across the idea that Mr. Dickinson may try to run again. Already indications have been given that he is quite acceptable to the McKay faction. And a lot of other people could think of nothing softer than having in office a well-meaning governor who can be depended upon not to upset the apple cart.

The old, old scheme would work. Several other candidates would be thrown into the field to confuse the issue and to split the anti-Dickinson vote. It would be figured that he would still have the church people and the anti-saloon league supporters under control, and so could ride through victorious.

Quite a situation.

## CCC Camp News

CAMP HARTWICK PINES  
SP-8 V-2690-Co.

### All in a Day

Many fine deeds are done in a CCC Veteran company that pass unnoticed and unsung if one waits for the doers of deeds to tell of it. This one almost slipped by and needs telling. It was last Sunday, bitterly cold and snowing heavily, a fine day to lay in the bunk and nap and read in the warm barrack. A long distance phone call came in from Roscommon. Someone in Ann Arbor was trying to get a call through to relatives who live 'way back off the highway near Lovells and the lines were down. They wanted to report the death of a member of the family. Could someone in the camp get word to these folks?

Well, in a camp of 200 World War veterans, someone could. Clarence Perry, the supply steward, and Ralph Piche, clerk to Inspector Gerald Reynolds, looked out sadly at the weather and thought of the fourteen miles of drifted road but thought they could get the message through. After a tough drive through a wild region they finally located the house well off the traveled road and no one at home. They left the message under the door and passed the word to the remote gas station and neighboring homes. A simple story in the telling but a hard experience and a fine deed and just one of those things in a day.

### Cure for Cabin Fever

People get what is called cabin fever when snowed in during the long winter months with nothing to do. They hate themselves and everyone else. V-2690 company never has cabin fever. They keep busy. Monday evening they have a good live cribbage tournament, Tuesday evening a pinocle tournament, Wednesday evening a motion picture in camp, Thursday evening the full company participates in a Keno game, for which no charge is made and about \$20 in merchandise is given as prizes, Friday and Saturday evenings, general recreation, with pool, cards, music and good fellowship.

Many of the men spend many hours in the handicraft shop which is well equipped with tools for all sorts of craft work, and is supervised by a craft instructor. A warm, well-lighted, comfortable and attractive library and reading room, with many good books, magazines and newspapers satisfy others who like to be quiet and entertain themselves or improve their information through reading. Others attend the various classes where regular instruction is given in a vehicle drivers' school, first aid, leader training, typing and any subject in which interest is shown by one or more men. All the company is required to turn out for the regular safety meetings in which health, accident and fire prevention instruction is given. The chaplain visits the camp regularly and holds services, meeting many of the men individually during his visit. All of this and more enters into the cure of cabin fever.

### Inter-camp Tournament

On Friday evening, February 2nd, V-2690th company will engage a visiting team from Camp Au Sable, V-1670th company, in a cribbage contest, the losing team to pay the winning team whatever prize is agreed upon. The Hartwick Pines camp will play a return engagement at the convenience of Au Sable.

### Filmed History

This history won't be hard to take. Ninety minutes of World History in films. On February 7 a film made up of the outstanding news reels of the past few years will show the visit of the King and Queen, the sinking of the Panay, German troops marching into Austria, Czechoslovakia and Poland, Italians in Abyssinia, the Pan-American conference, and many others.

### March of Dimes

V-2690th company made a \$10 contribution to the March of Dimes program for the care of children suffering from infantile paralysis.

CAMP AU SABLE  
V-1670 Co. CCC

Wm. Bobe received a message Monday stating that his mother had died in Madison, Wis. The men of the company, realizing that the trip there meant a big expense on top of a recent similar call, that of the death of Mrs. Bobe's father, quickly subscribed \$25.00 to help out. The members of V-1670, during the six and one-half years of the existence of the company have never failed to respond to a single emergency, whatever its nature. Today, as in the years of the World War, they stand ready at the call of duty. Their loyalty heartened their comrade for his sad mission as he left for Madison Tuesday morning.

Our cribbage stalwarts will journey to Hartwick Pines Fri-

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## Frederic News

Supt. Lee and Mrs. Lee and son Russell spent the week-end at Onaway.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of Donald Welch, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Welch. Funeral services were held at the M. P. church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Interment in Frederic Cemetery.

Mrs. Lettie Cruikshank, whose home is in the southern part of the state, is visiting at the home of her nephew, George Morton, and family.

Bandmaster Stevenson says most all instruments have arrived for school and audit bands. Ensembles number about 25.

The Double Ring Frodo party held at the community hall last Wednesday evening drew a sizeable gathering, live ladies being filled. At 11 o'clock a delicious lunch was served after which all went home happy planning to be on hand Wednesday night, Jan. 31. Mrs. Quays received high score, Mrs. Laura Wallace second.

The Sunshine Sister club held the regular meeting Tuesday evening at the hall. They now have eight new members to add to their list, making about 35 in all. Officers elected for the ensuing year were Mrs. Emma Voulmer, chairman; Mrs. Ethel Wenkoff, secretary; Mrs. Edith Payne, treasurer.

Mrs. C. S. Barber spent the week-end in Jackson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nelson and family.

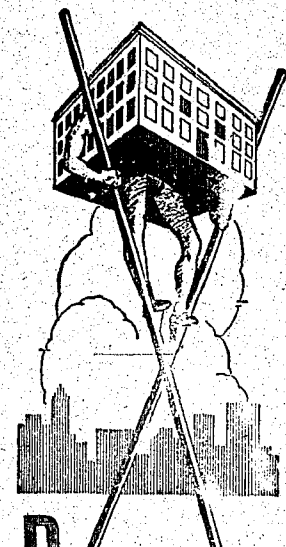
## Sap Does Not Go Up In Spring

Speaking of sap, the kind that is found in trees, H. Basil Wales of the U. S. Forest Service in Milwaukee, told reporters today that the sap does not go up in spring and down in fall, as many persons believe. Wales, who as regional chief of timber management, supervises tree planting, thinning young stands and the harvesting of mature timber on 14 national forests of the North Central Region, said experiments made in this country and Europe have proved winter-cut logs weigh no less than summer-cut logs, which would not be true if the sap in the tree changed its location during the spring and fall.

"In the spring the sap is more active in all species," said Wales. "Any tree will literally 'bleed' if wounded during this period. Sap from the sugar maple is gathered at this time because it is active and flows rapidly. As the season progresses the flow of the sap ceases and at the same time the sugar content goes down."

"How about the bark peeling easily in the spring when the sap is 'up'?" asked one of the reporters. "When sap is 'up,' said Wales, 'simply means that the sap is active and the tree is growing rapidly. The cambium, the name for the living tissues just under the bark, is expanding and the new tissues formed are soft and easily broken. Peeling is easy at this time of the year—willow reeds for clothes-baskets—bark for tanning purposes. In the days when youngsters used to make willow whistles it was always in the spring. Easy peeling means that the life processes of the tree have renewed after a more or less dormant period during the winter. Green logs cut in the winter sometimes have sufficient food stored up to the extent that the cambium begins to grow in warm weather and the bark peels as easily as spring-cut logs."

"In the fall the sap in trees does not go 'down,'" said Wales. "It is found in the trunk and roots of the tree where it was during the spring and summer but its movement is slower. Occasionally evergreens are killed during the winter when the ground is frozen solid and cold winds cause the tree to evaporate water faster than it can be absorbed by the roots. Evergreens around the house usually get a better 'break' than the trees in the forest as nurserymen advise a thorough watering before the ground freezes."



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